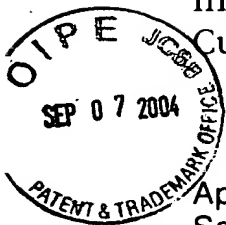


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**Sir:**

Responsive to the Office Action dated March 3, 2004, having a period for response which expired on June 3, 2004, which period has been extended to expire on September 3, 2004, by the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time, Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment with the accompanying remarks. Please charge the required fee of \$950 for filing a response within three months of the shortened statutory period for response pursuant to 37 C.F.R. section 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account 07-0832. Reconsideration of the application in view of the amendment is respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page two of this paper.**

**Listing and Amendments to the Claims begin on page three of this paper.**

**Remarks/Arguments begin on page eight of this paper.**